

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 3118

By: Jones, Kern and Terrill of  
the House

3 and

4 Williamson of the Senate

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7 ( schools - Academic Achievement Award (AAA)

8 program - effective date -

9 emergency )

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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 466, O.S.L.  
14 2005, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 322, O.S.L. 2007 (70 O.S.  
15 Supp. 2007, Section 3-152.1), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 3-152.1 A. The State Board of Education shall develop  
17 an Academic Achievement Award (AAA) program. The AAA program shall  
18 provide monetary awards to qualified employees at the top four  
19 schools that attain the highest overall student achievement and the  
20 top four schools that attain the highest annual improvement in  
21 student achievement as measured by the Academic Performance Index  
22 (API) in each of ~~five groups~~ the subgroups of each group based on  
23 the type of school and average daily membership (ADM) as provided  
24 for in subsection C D of this section. The AAA program shall also

1 provide monetary awards to qualified employees at all schools that  
2 attain a total API score of one thousand five hundred (1,500) for  
3 regular education students tested.

4 B. 1. No later than January 31 of each year, the State Board  
5 of Education shall provide a monetary award to all qualified  
6 employees at school sites designated as recipients of the Academic  
7 Achievement Award as calculated pursuant to this section.

8 2. The Board shall determine the amount of funds available for  
9 the AAA program, which shall include funds appropriated for the AAA  
10 program and may include other funds identified by the Board, which  
11 may be used for this purpose.

12 3. ~~a.~~ The Board shall determine the top four school sites in  
13 each of the ~~groups~~ subgroups for each group as designated in  
14 subsection € D of this section that have achieved the highest  
15 overall student achievement as measured by the API as calculated  
16 pursuant to Section 3-150 of this title.

17 ~~b.~~ 4. The Board shall determine the top four school sites in  
18 each of the ~~groups~~ subgroups for each group as designated in  
19 subsection € D of this section that have achieved the highest annual  
20 percentage improvement in student achievement as measured by the API  
21 score as compared to the previous year.

22 ~~c.~~ 5. The Board shall determine the school sites that have an  
23 API score of one thousand five hundred (1,500) for regular education  
24 students tested.

1       ~~d.~~ 6. In the event of tie scores, the Board shall select the  
2 school with the highest annual percentage improvement in student  
3 achievement as measured by the API score as compared to the previous  
4 year. If a tie still exists, the Board shall select the school with  
5 the highest annual percentage improvement in reading achievement as  
6 measured by the reading assessments administered pursuant to Section  
7 1210.508 of this title.

8       ~~e.~~ 7. Any school site that qualifies for more than one award as  
9 provided for in ~~subparagraphs a, b and c~~ paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of  
10 this ~~paragraph~~ subsection shall receive the highest award the school  
11 site qualifies for as calculated pursuant to ~~paragraph 4 of this~~  
12 subsection C of this section, but in no case shall any school site  
13 receive more than one award.

14       ~~4.~~ ~~a.~~ C. 1. The amount of monetary award to be paid to each  
15 qualified employee at each school identified as an award recipient  
16 as determined pursuant to ~~subparagraphs a and b~~ of paragraph 3 of  
17 ~~this~~ subsection B of this section shall be as follows:

- 18       ~~(1)~~ a. Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) for each first-  
19 place school,
- 20       ~~(2)~~ b. Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each second-place  
21 school,
- 22       ~~(3)~~ c. One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each third-place  
23 school, and

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1            b. middle school with 0 to 135 ADM, and

2            c. high school with 0 to 135 ADM;

3            2. Group 2:

4            a. elementary school with 136 to 235 ADM,

5            b. middle school with 136 to 235 ADM, and

6            c. high school with 136 to 235 ADM;

7            3. Group 3:

8            a. elementary school with 236 to 345 ADM,

9            b. middle school with 236 to 345 ADM, and

10           c. high school with 236 to 345 ADM;

11           4. Group 4:

12           a. elementary school with 346 to 505 ADM,

13           b. middle school with 346 to 505 ADM, and

14           c. high school with 346 to 505 ADM; and

15           5. Group 5:

16           a. elementary school with 506 or more ADM,

17           b. middle school with 506 or more ADM, and

18           c. high school with 506 or more ADM.

19           ~~D.~~ E. For purposes of this section, ~~"qualified:~~

20           1. "Qualified employees" means all certified personnel employed  
21 in the school for at least one-half (1/2) of the school year from  
22 which the student test data used for the awards provided for in this  
23 section was derived. For charter schools formed and operated  
24 pursuant to the Oklahoma Charter School Act, qualified employees

1 shall include all administrative and instructional personnel that  
2 meet the requirements of this subsection regardless of whether they  
3 are certified. For early elementary schools which do not contain a  
4 grade level that is tested under the Oklahoma School Testing Program  
5 Act but uses the test data from a grade level that is tested to  
6 calculate the API score for the school, qualified employees shall  
7 include the certified personnel employed by the school district at  
8 another school site for at least one-half (1/2) of the school year  
9 for the grade level from which the student test data used to  
10 calculate the API score was derived;

11 2. "Elementary school" means a school which offers grades  
12 kindergarten through not higher than the eighth grade;

13 3. "Middle school" means a school which includes one or more  
14 grades in the fifth- through ninth-grade sequence; and

15 4. "High school" means a school which may be a two-, three-, or  
16 four-year school that includes at least two consecutive grades  
17 between ninth and twelfth grade.

18 ~~E.~~ F. No school or school district shall be liable for payment  
19 of awards pursuant to this section. Awards shall not be included in  
20 the calculation of the salary of the teacher for purposes of meeting  
21 the district or statutory minimum salary schedule or for purposes of  
22 calculating Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma contributions or  
23 benefits.

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1        ~~F.~~ G. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules  
2 necessary for the implementation of this section.

3        SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2008.

4        SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
5 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

8        Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of March, 2008.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
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13        Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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